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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time of two (2) months (from April 23 to June 23, 2006) within which to respond to the Office Action dated February 23, 2006 is requested. Applicants are entitled to small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 the \$225.00 extension fee and any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

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